ADVANCE MILE TOWARD LENS

British Have Just Captured Strongly Organized Defensive System

ENVELOPING MOVE GOES STEADILY ON

on Both Banks of the Souchez

London, June 30 .- A series of strongly been captured by the British, it is officially announced to-day. In their recent operations the British have advanced more than a mile on a front of four miles about Lens.

GERMAN ATTACKERS ON VERDUN FRONT NEARLY WIPED OUT

They Penetrated First Line Trenches on Front of Nearly Two Miles and Were Then Ejected Except On Western Slope of Dead Man's Hill.

Paris, June 30 .- The Germans resumed their violent attacks on the Verdun front officials feared. west of Dead Man hill last night, the war office announces. Picked German troops advanced on a sector of a mile and three-quarters and were almost an- adds that the 1917 income might be nihilated by the French. The Germans penetrated the first French line over the entire front attacked, but were driven out except on the western slope of Dead

The French made counter-attacks west of Hill 304 and took back most of the trenches lost Thursday. On the Aisne front the Germans attacked northeast of Cerny, employing burning liquid. They occupied a salient after the Germans had levelled it by shell fire, but were repulsed elsewhere.

The official communication issued last

evening was as follows:

"The enemy, after his bloody defeat last night in the region of Cerny, directed some new attacks against our positions to the northeast of the village. After several vain attempts, which cost them heavy losses, the Germans succeeded again in entering the first line elsments whence they had been expelled.

"To the southeast of Corbeny the Germans in the course of the same night

"On the left bank of the Meuse (Verdun sector) the artillery activity con tinues intense in the sector of hill 304 and the Avocourt wood.

"During the evening of June 27 German long range guns fired several heavy shells in the direction of Dunkirk.

"Army of the Orient, June 28 .- The enemy artillery has been rather active the census, which was taken in 1911, and on the right bank of the Vardar and to- which has just been issued, shows a toward Tsrvena Stena. A Bulgarian at- tal population of 420,882,558, of which tack has been repulsed in the region of 315,156,396 were in India, and 45,221,615

"British aviators have caused several important explosions and fires at Sovjak and in the hangars at Bogietz."

FRENCH CRUISER STRUCK A MINE AND WAS LOST

Thirty-Eight Officers and Men of the Kleber Were Lost Off Point of St. Mathieu.

Paris, June 30.-Official announcement was made last night that the French armored cruiser bleber had struck a mine off the point of St. Mathieu on There is a striking increase in the Wednesday and was sunk. Three offinumber of public entertainers which the had come from Dakar, Africa, and was on her way to Brest.

TAKE RESERVISTS FROM DRAFT ARMY TO FILL REGULARS

President Wilson's Call for Volunteers This Week Was Not Answered, There Being Shortage of

Washington, D. C., June 30.-President Wilson's call for volunteers, to bring the regular army up to its full war strength of 300,000 men by to-day, has not been realized. War department figures indicate there is still a shortage of 60,000 men. This discrepancy will probably be relieved by taking reservists from the ranks of the new selective army.

50,000 Men.

TOLD OF ARRIVAL.

Delayed Information About the American Troops Arrival.

Paris, June 27, (delayed by the censor.) The first expeditionary unit of American troops in command of Major-General William L. Sibert arrived safely at a French port. Rear Admiral Gleaves has cabled Secretary Daniels, saying that the expedition arrived safely.

A dispatch received in New York

AMERICAN RAIL-ROADS DENIED A RATE INCREASE

Interstate Commerce Commission Issued Order to Be Effective Until

Washington, June 30,-The interstate ommerce commission yesterday denied the plan of the railroads of the United States for a horizontal increase of 15 per cent. in freight rates.

In its decision the commission indicated its willingness to increase class rates in the eastern district approximately 14 per cent. Since about one-fourth of the freight handled is moved under class Latest Success Was Scored dates, the decision virtually allows the eastern lines about four per cent. increase in gross freight revenue. Increases sought in rates on coal, coke and iron will be granted.

The commission found as a result of extended hearings that the carriers generally show a substantial and increasing organized defensive systems on both financial prosperity, and that they have banks of the Souchez, covering Lens, have ample resources with which to conduct transportation.

Little sympathy was given the arguments of the roads that they were victims of war prices, the commission holding that the carriers had profited by the obilization of troops.

The commission suspended the pro-posed tariffs until October 28, but it indicated that no hearing of the case will be of value at this time, and suggested cancellation of the tariffs.

The commission finds that the gloomy forecasts of jeopardized incomes, seen by railroad officials early in 1917, have not been borne out by the figures available for later months. The proceedings were brought in March, when the returns from February were just being made. February was one of the worst months in railroad history. The subsequent months have shown increasing revenues, while expenses have, in many cases, failed to amount to the extent the carriers'

The decision points out that the carriers' comparison have been made largely with those of 1916, which was the banner year in railroad earnings, and considerably diminished without necessarily indicating a danger point in earn-

Commissioner Harlan in a concurring few months show that the railroad men's fears were well founded, the commission would be ready to grant relief. He also made a plea for better equipment and

ANTI-AIR GUNS CARRIED ON NEW SHIP OF U. S. NAVY

The Idaho, a Sister Ship of the Pennsylvania and of 33,000 Tons Displacement, Was Launched

Camden, N. J., June 30 .- Another mon ster fighting machine for the navy took violent. The enemy brought forth sev. the water to-day from the yards of the der British registry, was said to be the troops. The assailing waves were shat- the superdreadnaught Idaho, a sister ship tered by our fire and were not able to of the Pennsylvania, the flagship of the penetrate our trenches on any front, be- Atlantic fleet, was successfully launched. ing forced to fall back with heavy The Idaho is of 33,000 tons' displacement and carries anti-aircraft guns, in addition to her regular armament.

BRITISH POPULATION

Numbers 420,882,558, of Which 315,156,-396 Is In India.

London, June 30 .- The final report or in the United Kingdom, of Great Britain and Ireland.

The population of Ireland continues to decrease. France is stationary but there has been a remarkable fall in the growth of the populations of Norway and Scotland. Germany shows the highest rate of increase in Europe, while in the British Empire abnormal rates of growth are shown in Canada and New Zealand. In all English counties, birth in the

deaths, yet in six-London, Cumberland, Westmoreland, Cardigan, Radnor and Montgomery-the population decreased, five men from the Vermont district who showing the losses by migration. As a consequence, it is charged, wilful misstatement of age, the number

of women in the groups aged 20-25 and 25-30 are disproportionately high. There is a striking increase in cers and 35 men were lost. The Kleber report says is due largely to moving pic-

QUEER WEDDING CUSTOMS.

In India the Native Guesta Literally Paint the Town Red.

They have some curious wedding customs in India. At a native wedding in Bombay the wedding guests literally "paint the town red" by throwing on one another a kind of red powder until they are crimson from head to foot. Their disordered white draperies, the stains and splashes on their faces and hair give them the appearance of victims of a massacre. In India halls which may be secured for a small rental are provided for these ceremonies. But weddings are also celebrated in the Hindu temples, with priests in attendance. In a Hindu temple a bride of twelve must seat herself on a stone and be drenched similar deluge, and at a short distance behind the bride's mother the grandmother undergoes the same treatment, while in front of the dripping trio two priests sit beside a briskly burning wood fire mumbling the prescribed words for the ceremony. One casts a few grains of rice into the fire and the other, with a ladle, throws into it a few drops of oil.

During these performances the bridegroom, seated in a carriage outside the temple, receives the congratula-Wednesday afternoon from France and tions of his friends. In the far east nounced the arrival and debarkation of the bridegroom would seem to be the the second contingent of American member of the party most to be envied,-People's Home Journal.

EIGHT DIED IN HOUSE FIRE

Entire Family of George B. Rowe of Anson, Maine, Was Wiped Out

NO EVIDENCE

Medical Referee Decided

That an Inquest Was Not Necessary

Madison, Me., June 30.-George B. the house escaped.

An investigation failed to show evidence of foul play and the county medical referee decided that an inquest was

FOUR LARGE SHIPS SENT TO BOTTOM

The Haverford of 11,635 Tons Was Said to Be the Largest American Line Ship to Have Been Destroyed.

Boston, June 30 .- The torpedoing and sinking of four large British cargo car- lis and he was highly recommended by rying steamers was announced in advices his employers in Glens Falls. He claimed to local insurance offices yesterday. The to the local authorities that he had been steamers were the Ultonia, of the Cunard misinformed as to the years included in line, 68,593 tons; Haverford, of the on November 11, 1917, and he says he American line, 11,635 tons; Buffalo, Wil- supposed he was outside the age limit. statement declared that should the next son liner, 2,583 tons, and the Manistee, another Cunard vessel. No details of state by Deputy Sheriff E. T. Patterthe losses were given and no mention thorities made the arrest. was made of the fate of the crews.

It was believed by steamship agents here that some or all of the steamships may have been included in the list of sinkings announced from London on Wednesday night.

The Ultonia and Manistee, it was said, Haverford has been engaged in the Philashe was bound when torpedoed.

built at Clyde Bank, Scotland, in 1901, was 531 feet long, 59 feet beam and of 11,635 gross tons.

Neither the steamship Ultonia nor the Manistee, reported torpedoed and sunk, carried either passengers or troops, according to representatives of the Cunard informed last night of the loss of the two vessels.

TO TRAIN FOR NAVY.

Burlington, June 30 .- Twenty-six recruits for the United States newy left Burlington last night in a special sleeping car which was attached to the regular train, bound for the naval training station at Newport, R. I. They were a splendid looking lot of boys, most of them Vermonters, and seemed proud and happy to be starting off to serve their country. Most of them had been enlisted within the past few weeks and sent ten intercensal years outnumbered the to their homes to await orders, which meant until the training station could accommodate them. There are now but are awaiting orders at their homes.

Four men were enlisted yesterday at the local recruiting office. They were Karl S. Sterns of Middlebury, a landsman for musician, who was sent to his home to await orders; George N. Gray of Rutland, an ex-service man, who was enrolled in the first naval reserve as a fireman of the second class and ordered to Boston for duty: Leon Ferrari of Barre, a foreman of the second class, who was ordered to New York; and Stewart Eastwood of Brandon, who was enlisted as an apprentice seaman and sent

to Newport with the other men. The names of the party who left last night for the naval training station at Newport, R. I., are: Luke H. Harrington, Albert P Oligney of Montpelier hospital apprentices of the second class; Ernest P. Glaney of Plattsburg, N. Y., Parker T. Lancaster of Fair Haven, fore returning home. Stanley L. McNight of Wilder, Edward L. Sibley of Bennington, Martin A. Griffollowing were apprentice seamen: Melville G. Robinson of Barre, William C Bullis of Plattsburg, N. Y., Philip H. Wesley L. Hubbard of East Poultney, Merriman of Poultney, Benjamin H. Sheldrake of Ausable Forks, N. George A. Liberty of Wadhams, N. Y., court, this being the third day.

H. C. Allen of Plattsburg is passing a last evening for a visit with friends. rw days in town on business. W. T. Allen and Walter Lombard of Northfield are spending several days with

Theodore R. Holden of Wallingford.

friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Mower have rean automobile trip through Massachu- will be furnished by Gauthier's orches-

REMARKABLE RECORD.

BARRE, VERMONT, SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 1917.

Of Long Service in the Brattleboro Post-

Brattleboro, June 30.—At the close of their work to-night three of the regular carriers in the Brattleboro postoffice will have completed 30 years of continuous service as carriers and three others will bring to a close 30 years of continuous And Three More Cases Have connection with the postoffice, a part of the time as substitutes and a part as

regulars. Those who have been regular carriers ever since free delivery was established in Brattleboro, July 1, 1887, are Dennis ENCE
OF FOUL PLAY

E. Tasker, carrier, No. 1, William E. Barber, carrier No. 2, and Spencer W. Knight, carrier No. 3. Each is covering a part of his original route, making two trips a day, aggregating about 15 miles. The three who began as substitutes

and are now regulars are Thomas A. Austin, a regular for 29 years, John A. Lindsey, a regular for 24 years, and Sidney H. Farr, a regular for 18 years. Edward J. Shea, mailing clerk, and Miss Frances E. Guild, money order and registry clerk, have had positions in the Rowe, aged 37 years, his wife, aged 33, local postoffice 31 years. Julius E. Leach, and their six children, ranging in age superintendent of mails, has served the from one to thirteen years, were burned Harry C. Freeman has been clerk in the to death early this morning in a fire money order department 18 years. Aswhich destroyed their home at Anson, sistant Postmaster Charles W. Wilcox, near here. None of the occupants of began work in the office 34 years ago, and has been there ever since.

FAILED TO REGISTER.

Ernest Hillis Arrested in Rutland and Taken to New York State.

Rutland, June 30 .- The first slacker to be arrested in this section of the state was taken from the Yorke Shirt company's factory on Forest street yesterday morning by Sheriff E. C. Fish and Deputy Sheriff Henry R. Adams at the request of New York state authorities. Wit He was later arraigned before United States Commissioner James Leamey and then taken to his home in Glens Falls, N. Y., where he was supposed to have registerday on June 5.

The young man's name is Ernest Hil the registration. He will be 31 years old Hillis was taken back to New York

NO MILK STRIKE JULY 1.

New England Milk Producers Think It Would Be Inopportune.

There will be no milk strike on July 1. were bound with cargoes of grain and At a meeting of the board of directors other food supplies from New York for of the New England Milk Producers' asanglish ports and the Buffalo was re- sociation, held Thursday night in Boston, turning from Hull for New York. The it was voted to stand firmly for the business reforms previously demanded, but delphia Liverpool service, but there was that a refusal to sell unless an increase the suspected cases, afterwards ordering no information at hand to show where in price was given should not be made quarantine and taking some of the speciuntil July 15.

This change is made because, instead New York, June 30 .- The American of there being a shortage of milk, as is ne steamship Haverford, which was un- usually the case at this time of year, there eral battalions led by special storming New York Shipbuilding company, when largest American vessel which has yet kets, and the present time would be infallen prey to a submarine. She was opportune for a strike on that account The New England Milk Producers' association have notified their local officers to this effect.

DR. CONDON INDICTED.

line here, who had not been officially On Charge of Murdering John V. Piper, a Former Vermonter.

New Brunswick, June 30.-Dr. William J. Conden, an officer in the United States medical reserve corps, was indicted by the Middlesex county grand jury here the day when the Smith boy at the Party of 26 Recruits Left Vermont Last vesterday for the murder of John V. Pihe had been missing since February. Dr. only five days after that visit, whereas acknowledged a second offense. A fine Condon has been lodged in prison at experts say that the normal time for of \$15 and costs was imposed, which the Trenton since he was brought back from development of infantile paralysis is respondent arranged to pay. an army training camp at Chattanooga, Tenn., to face the murder charge,

MONTPELIER

Dozen Young Men to Apply for Quarter masters' Reserve Camp.

Two automobiles carried over a dozen local young men to Burlington this forenoon, where they will appear for technical examination before the recruiting The last-named was the first to come officer for the quartermasters' reserve down with the disease. corps of the regular army. Among those who went to Burlington for examination were Francis Kelliher, Richard Jerome A. C. Theriault, Arthur Alexander, Wil- Who Go from Montpelier to Other Towns, liam Armstrong, Richard Bailey, Ernest Dillon, Myers Tuttle, Martin Jeronime, and Charles Daley.

Miss Molly Beals of Elm street is taking a few days' vacation from her duties in the office of Attorney George B. Young and left this noon for Boston and New Bedford, Mass., to visit friends. Mrs. H. E. Stockwell and Miss Teresa Dow left this morning for Ashland, N. H., where they will visit relatives. The

Erroll Wilcox, operator at the Playouse, which is closed by order of the fin of Cambridge, Frank L. Kennedy of board of health, left this morning for Rochester, all landsmen for yeomen. The Malone, N. Y., where he will join Mrs Wilcox, who is visiting with relatives.

The hearing on the settlement of the estate of the late George H. Morse of Waterbury by the executrix, Nellie H. Y. Morse, is still being held in probate with water by her bridesmaids. Be- Harry E. Berggren of West Rutland, alleged that the estate is insolvent and Washington in Orange county, should be the registration board for Washington that williams pulled up the ladder so that she could not ascend to the loft, had hind her, her mother is subjected to a Lawrence Q. Baker of Moretown, Ste- that certain persons and companies who allowed to attend the summer school. phen J. Devosa of West Rutland, Carl furnished bonds for the deceased may W. Randall of Crown Point, N. Y., Carl have to forfeit the same. Frank Plum-

Harold Jackson of Hartford, Conn., formerly of this city, arrived in the city

GRANITEVILLE.

A public dance will be held in Losastra. Admission, 50c; ladies free.

POLIO SPREADS TO OTHER TOWNS

Developed in Montpelier

WATERBURY HAS

Fayston Reports Case - A

New Patient in Barre Town

have developed in Montpelier since yesmade by the clerk in the office of Health party at Montpelier. Officer William Lindsay this forenoon and two other cases will probably be added before night, inasmuch as the children are ill and display symptoms of the disease. The new cases are in widely scattered parts of that city, one being the daughter of Harry Hawkins on Vine street, another in a Hebrew family on Main street and the third on River street in an Italian family. This brings the total number of definitely established cases to eighteen and the twenty mark will probably be reach by to-

With the moving picture theatres closed all social gatherings forbidden and with parents keeping their children confined at home, Montpelier is exceptionally quiet and merchants say that business almost at a standstill.

Many people have left Montpelier for camps and the seashore with their families, making the trip several weeks earlier than is usual

TWO SUSPECTED CASES.

Had Developed in Waterbury and Quarantine is Imposed.

Waterbury, June 30 .- Waterbury has two suspected cases of infantile paralysis, although neither of the children is paralyzed as yet. The patients are the our-year-old son of the Comstock famly on Railroad street and the four-yearold daughter of Floyd Edwards' family on North Main street. The little daughter of Howard Ennis of North Main street is also quite ill, but it is possible this morning for Marshfield, where they that her ailment will be diagnosed as are passing a few days at Camp Creperspinal meningitis.

Dr. H. A. Ladd of the state board of health was here yesterday and examined the suspected cases, afterwards ordering mens to Burlington for examination.

YOUNG LADY A PATIENT.

Has Infantile Paralysis.

A fourth case of infantile paralysis has developed in Barre Town, the patient being Miss Florence Hibbard, aged 18 years, the daughter of Mrs. Carr who taken sick a week ago last Thursday, but a physician was not called until eles are not paralyzed. Otherwise her Smith Stock farm, in the same neighborfrom eight to fourteen days. Miss Hibbeing in one in Websterville. The South Barre patients are the Smith and the Nye children, while the Websterville case is

QUARANTINE ALL CHILDREN.

that of Donald McDonald, aged 18 years.

Is State Board of Health Order.

Burlington, June 30 .- The state board of health has issued warnings to health officers throughout Vermont, to quarantine for two weeks, as a precautionary the poliomyelitis outbreak. Three new cases of the disease were reported to the former will visit relatives in Boston behave been forbidden.

BAN ON WASHINGTON COUNTY. Castleton Summer School Acts Because of Poliomvelitis.

Upon advice of the state board of health, the Castleton summer school an- ers at the opening, and a large deleganounces that because of the infantile tion from the local council plans to paralysis epidemic, it is not deemed ad- attend. visable that any planning to attend from It is Washington county or the town of

This prohibition also applies to any W. Randall of Crown Foliat, S. R. Wheeler of Crown Foliat, S. R. Wheeler of Brault of West Chary, N. Y. Neal D. Brault of West Chary, N. Y. Neal D. Brault of Barre, Fred M. Hart of Blanchard of Barre, Fred M. Hart of and Charles H. Darling of Burlington for Burlington, Frank G. ley of Northfield appears for the executing to the attorney for the attorney for the attorney for the attorney for the last ten days any towns or cities where cases of infantile paralysis have cards signed by young men of the 21-31 had it that the door was locked in the minister's face and that the minister's face and that the door was locked in the minister's face and that the door was locked in the minister's face and that the minister's face and that the minister's face and that the minister's f teachers who were teaching in Washthe Castleton summer school are urged other conuties in Vermont are proceeding cused, Otis Williams, little Bernice Felch to bring usual vouchers with them.

RUSSIAN SCHOONER SUNK.

The Sibens Was Carrying Salt From Cadiz.

sian schooner Sibens from Cadiz, with ago. Thus far most of the detail work if the baby looked like Otis," that she turned after spending the past week on so's hall next Tuesday evening. Music a cargo of salt, has been centered in the county court- liked Williams' pretty hair and pretty German submarine, according to cable advices to agents here,

MORE RECRUITS GO TO STATE CAMP

Lieut. Shaw of Co. C Returned to the Regiment This Morning, After Successful Recruiting Drive.

Despite the announcement that C company of Barre had reached war strength and was filled to the overflow with recruits, there were three applications for enlistment last night and this morning and when the recruiting party, headed by Lieut. Shaw, left for the fort they were accompanied by Henry Leclair of Barre, Leon C. Bohonon of Washington TWO POSSIBLE CASES and Alphin Hutchins of this city. All three young men are confident of pass ing the physical examination, and there is every probability that they will receive assignments to the company of their choice. Mr. Hutchins, an employe of the city water department, made up his mind to enlist just before the train departed. Arrangements for the trip Three new cases of infantile paralysis | delayed him and he missed the train, but | Dr. John H. Woodruff, a member of the registration board, was leaving for the terday noon, according to a statement capital and gave the young man a ride. Hutchins caught up with the recruiting

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. Hale K. Darling of Chelsea was among the shopping visitors in the city to-day. Robert Turner left last night for Bos-

ton, where he is visiting relatives for a

s employed as a barber in Miers' downtown shop Cilfford Gamache and Peter LaBell are

William Letourneau and George Muray were among the Barre visitors at Fort Ethan Allen yesterday.

street motored to-day to Alburg, where they are to pass two weeks in camp. Thomas Venner, sr., left last night for a visit of several days with relatives.

Boston where he is passing a few days with friends. J. J. Sullivan of Graniteville passed his way to Concord, N. H., for a business

Savings bank staff left this forenoon for

visit of a few days. J. Counter and Mr. and Mrs. L. pond, where they are ocuping the Stewart cottage for a fortnight.

Boston where she plans to make an ex-Quincy, Mass., before returning.

marfla Mrs. Nella S. Roscoe of French street, who is at the head of the teacher train. every syllable. ing department in the city schools, has

a stay of six weeks.

local health officer.

G. P. Benton, president of the Univer-Burlington.

Drug stores and other shops where jarly horrible nature of the crime. resides a short distance south of South restriction notices published this week minds as to the guilt or innocence

Frank S. Hutchins, the son of Mr. and hands of the judge. Wednesday evening of this week. The Mrs. F. E. Hutchins of Spaulding street, physician reports that both the girl's who offered himself as a volunteer in C legs are paralyzed but that the hip mus- company, returned home this morning from Fort Ethan Allen, having been recondition is considered favorable. On jected in the examination because of a minor physical defect.

James Ogg of Wiliamstown, who was per, a graduate student at Rutgers col- hood, was taken ill with the disease, locked up yesterday on an intoxication lege, whose body was found beside a Miss Hibbard visited at the Smith home charge, appeared before Magistrate H. road near Spotswood on June 16 after and saw the boy. She was taken ill W. Scott in city court this morning and

Miss Ruth Sowden of Tremont street bard had been attending school in Barre. entertained several of her friends Thurs-Dr. E. H. Bailey, the health officer in day evening, the occasion being in honor Barre Town, reports that there are no of Miss Gertrude Olsen, who is passing things within so that the rifle lay under other suspected cases in his town, so far a two weeks' vacation at her home on the farmer's body. Next day, he continas he knows, and the other three patients Washington street. The evening was ued, neither professed to know anything are doing well as could be expected, two pleasantly spent by playing games, while about the manner of his death. the South Barre district and refreshments of ice cream and cake were liams is not a creditable witness, some served.

> evening, Miss Mary Carroll, whose ap- there has been nothing to show that he proaching marriage has been announced, was tendered a shower party by mem- hand the state has correborated portions bers of the senior Sodality of the Blessed of the Williams story. Virgin Mary of St. Monica's church. The gifts were of a miscellaneous char-the letter to Harold Weeks of Meredith, acter and the Psitors were warmly N. H., in which the accused claimed that thanked by the recipient. Whist and she wrote a letter to Otis Williams at "500" were among the games enjoyed, the instance of her husband, enclosed it and before the guests left dainty re- in a letter addressed to Weeks, and

freshments were served. Barre Knights of Columbus, members of council No. 401, are looking forward band, neither of them, seemed to know measure, all children coming to their with a good deal of interest to exercises respective towns from Montpelier during at Fort Ethan Allen July 4, when the recreation building erected for the sol- her claim that the contents of the letter diers by the state council, K. of C., will state board of health yesterday, two be formally opened. As a member of the from Montpelier and one from Fayston. general committee in charge of con-All public assemblages in the latter town struction work and the equipping of the structure, John J. Hartigan, grand knight of the Barre council, has been ac- a letter inside of a letter? he asked. tive in the enterprise. Lately a number of knights from this city have visited the military post with a view to inspecting the progress made on the Former Mayor John Fitzger ald of Boston is to be one of the speak

George N. Tilden and Dr. John H. county, are busy with a large amount of gin. The Washington county board has about the accused. engaged three young women, who are at The prosecutor called attention work on the mass of information sub-Chathem, N. B., June 30.-The Rus- mitted by the registrants nearly a month Felch, in which she said she "would laugh house, where office facilities are available.

CASE IS GIVEN TO THE JURY

Attorneys Make Plea in Homicide Case in Chelsea Court

JUDGE'S CHARGE THIS FORENOON

Large Crowd distens Intently · estimony analyzed

Chels coune 30 .- Closing arguments in the case of Mrs. Anna Felch, on trial here for the alleged murder of her husband, Joseph Felch, at Topsham on the eve of Easter Sunday in April, 1916, were made yesterday afternoon, last evening and this forenoon, and just before noon Judge Butler began his charge to the jury. All the arguments were able.

The state opened and closed the case, with State's Atorney John C. Sherburne making the opening argument and Attorney-General H. G. Barber speaking at the close. Attorney Hale K. Darling opened for the defense, and the closing among the Barre people who are passing argument for the respondent was made the week-end in Burlington. by his colleague, R. A. Hoar.

When court took a recess for the supper hour late yesterday afternoon, the H. H. Patch and family of Washington state's attorney had finished his argument and Attorney Darling was nearing the preface to his argument. Judge But-Manchester, N. H., where he is making ler ordered a special session in the evening, at which time Mr. Darling rounded William A. McLeod of the Quarry out his argument. This forenoon Mr. Hoar was followed by the attorney-gen-

State's Attorney Sherburne's statethrough the city this morning while on ment was a mater of fact resume of the state's evidence and telling points were emphasized by him while a courtroom daughter, Katherine, have gone to Joe's crowded to the doors and the overflow outside in the corridors followed eagerly every word. Over against his argument, Mrs. Joseph Lotti left last night for when court, counsel and jurors had called tended stay, and will visit relatives in it a day, was the somewhat impassioned plea of Mr. Darling, whose eloquence was George Holden of Graniteville and Al- brought into play around numerous imbert Creamer of Merchant street left portant points. It was the largest crowd that has attended court since the trial began, and whether the jury was hear ing the side of the state or that of the accused, the spectators drank in avidly

Said the state's attorney, in opening: gone to her former home in Bradford for here to persecute. The state wishes you to give the respondent the benefit of evsity of Vermont, who addressed the graduating class of the Chelsea high You are not required to satisfy yourself high You are not required to satisfy yourself Miss Florence Hibbard of South Barre school last evening, passed through the beyond every possible doubt, but beyond city to-day while on his way back to a reasonable doubt. This is a horrible and revolting case because of the pecul soda water and soft drinks are dispensed is an issue between the state and the have been furnished with copies of the respondent, and in making up your Barre village. The young lady was at the instance of Dr. J. W. Stewart, the the accused you should not consider the question of penalty. That is in the

> Here, the state's attorney stressed the significance of Otis Williams' testimony. decribing him as an eye witness, who after supplying a motive for the crime by telling of alleged improper relations with the respondent, continued by describing the circumstances of the murder, The attorney went on to mention Mrs. Felch's alleged discovery that she was in trouble as the result of alleged improper conduct and then realized that her husband was or would be aware of her condition. So the accused and Williams, he went on, went to the sugarhouse that dark night in April, Joseph Felch was killed, and then, to give the crime the appearance of a suicide, fixed one might say, the attorney said, and At her home on Beacon street last yet, except for the accused's own story, was not telling the truth. On the other

> > Turning to the testimony concerning mailed it, the state's attorney reminded the jury that Mrs. Felch and her husmuch about Weeks, and said it stood out as significant that Mrs. Felch, in spite of were innocent enough and written at the instance of her husband, didn't see fit to address it directly to Williams at Meredith, with the words, "in care of Harold Weeks," written on the envelope.

As for Mrs. Felch's denial of the alle gation that she was in the barn with Otis Wiliams, Mr. Sherburne cllaimed that the evidence showed where Mrs. Williams' statement about seeing the ac cused emerge from the barn was corrob orated by Otis Williams. He called attention to the testimony of Mrs. George McCormack (Josephine Pero) who told of seeing Williams in the hay loft as she went into the barn for eggs and declared Woodruff, two of the three members of that Williams pulled up the ladder so she desired to investigate. detail work to be done before drafting Mrs. Felch's denial that the minister begins and with the assistance of the called on the Friday before the murder, along similar lines, although they have and the witness had climbed the stairs not been fully advised as to when the she saw Otis and Mrs. Feich together drafting for the new war army will be and thought the former had his arm

statements credited by witnesses to Mrs.

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